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SIR:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 19, 2007, for the above-identified application.

No fee is believed due. However, if any fee is due the Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account No. 11-0600 for such fees. A copy of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Dated: October 11, 2007

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In response to the September 19, 2007 Office Action in the above-identified application, please accept the following response to restriction requirement.

Applicants were required to restrict the claims to one of the following species:

- A) wherein the projection is configured in a trapezoidal shape; or
- B) wherein the projection is configured in a hemispherical shape.

Applicants respectfully elect Species A, wherein the projection is configured in a trapezoidal shape. Claims 9-14, 16-17, 19 and 20 encompass the elected species.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims of the present application are now in condition for allowance. Prompt reconsideration and allowance of the present application are therefore earnestly solicited.

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